(d) and (e) The scheme for raising the height of tower at Dibrugarh to 150 metre has been sanctioned at a capital cost of Rs. 145 lakhs. It will take about 2 to 3 years for erection of the new tower.

Separate television channel for Karnataka

1138. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Karnataka Government has sought a separate television channel; and

(b) if so, the action, if any, taken to provide a separate television channel to Karnataka?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN JAITELY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Dave Committee

1139. SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY:
SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have appointed Dave Committee to go into some welfare aspects;

(b) if so, what are the terms of reference of the Committee;

(c) whether the Committee has recommended that the workers Provident Fund money be invested in share market;

(d) whether Government are aware that the Central Board for Provident Fund Trustees and the Standing Labour Committee have rejected the above recommendations; and

(e) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) Yes, Madam/Sir.